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SUBJECT: KOREA AT 28TH UNGA

REF: STATE 162623; NAIROBI 5106

SUMMARY: ALTHOUGH GOK HAS NOT FINALLY FORMULATED ITS POSITIONS
ON KOREAN ITEM FOR FORTHCOMING UNGA, ITS CURRENT THINKING
SIMILAR TO THAT OF US/ROK AND ITS SUPPORT SEEMS LIKELY. END
SUMMARY

1. WHEN EMBOFF ON SEPT. 5 DISCUSSED KOREAN ITEM ALONG LINES
STATE REFTEL WITH MOFA UNDER SECRETARY KIILU (UN/AMERICAS),
LATTER SAID THAT ALTHOUGH GOK HAD NOT YET FINALLY FORMULATED ITS
POSITION ON ALL ASPECTS OF KOREAN ITEM, HE WAS SURE IT WOULD
SUPPORT CONCURRENT ADMISSION TWO KOREAS (NAIROBI REFTEL).
KIILU SHARED U.S. VIEW THAT, IF UNCURK WERE TO BE TERMINATED,
IT SHOULD BE DONE IN ORDERLY MANNER WITHOUT PREJUDICE, AND
AGREED THAT PRECIPITIOUS WITHDRAWAL OF UNC WOULD CREATE UN-
DESIRABLE VACUUM. AS LONG AS ROK WISHED UNC THERE, KIILU FELT
GOK WOULD CONTINUE TO SUPPORT ITS PRESENCE.

2. INTERESTINGLY, KIILU SAID ROK AMBASSADOR HERE HAD ASKED KENYA,
AS SC MEMBER, TO INTERCEDE WITH PRC TO PREVENT LATTER USING VETO
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ON BEHALF NORTH KOREA AND TO SEEK PRC'S HELP IN CHANGING NORTH

KOREAN ATTITUDES. HOWEVER, KIILU HAD THEN GONE ON LEAVE AND DID NOT KNOW IF KENYAN PERM REP. ODERO-JOWI HAD AGREED TO APPROACH PRC.

3. WHEN EMBOFF EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE MIGHT TAKE POSITIONS THAT WOULD PREJUDICE KOREAN ITEM AT UNGA, KIILU POINTED OUT THAT KENYAN DELEGATION TO ALGIERS CARRIED NO BRIEF ON KOREAN ISSUES. ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT AT MEETINGS WHERE DECISIONS CARRIED BY CONSENSUS, KENYA FACED DILEMMA. DID NOT WANT TO BE ONLY COUNTRY OPPOSING CONSENSUS, BUT FREQUENTLY FOUND CONSENSUS INCONSISTENT WITH FORMAL KENYAN POSITION ON SOME ISSUES. USUALLY KENYAN DELEGATION SOUGHT TO CLARIFY KENYAN POSITION WHILE FOLLOWING CONSENSUS, BUT EXPLANATION OFTEN LOST IN SHUFFLE. LINDSTROM

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